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Editorial

All communications re "Soccer News" must be sent to the Editor, V. J. M. Dixon, 42 Nelson Street, Sandringham, S.8.



With Victoria without a player in the Australian side for the third Test in Brisbane, we will be unable to have our customary report on the game from our old friend, Tommy Jack. Tommy, by the way, wrote all his articles on the Sydney games in the plane when coming home a tired man. Readers will agree that our thanks are due to Tommy for his efforts.

Last week once again we had a serious error and apologise for the word Captain under the picture of Tommy Jack. This was an error of our printers who unfortunately mistook the word "caption," which they had written under it for themselves. Tommy was vice-captain and Bob Lawrie, of Queensland, captain. Bob Lawrie is this week going to try to get an account of the third Test play to us in time for this issue. A glance at the next page will show whether he was able to make it at the last minute for us or not.

Only upset last week in Division I was Box Hill's defeat of Brighton. This places Sunshine United at the top. The struggle to avoid relegation is now tense. Three teams are fighting to scrape the necessary points to avoid going down with Sunshine City which cannot avoid returning to Division II.

J.U.S.T.'s heavy defeat of Hakoah last Saturday makes promotion certain for the team to the Senior Section, while the Fifers defeat by George Cross puts the Scottish side in the relegation zone with University.

International Harvester and Polonia have now won their Divisions (Third and Fourth, respectively).

We should like these clubs to send in photos. of their teams, if they have good ones.

Among the Juniors the defeats of Brighton Under 19 and Sunshine United Under 15 mean that there is now no undefeated team in any competition. South Melbourne's defeat of Brighton Under 19 was particularly meritorious. The windy conditions suited the Middle Park to a T.

The Divisional Cup contests for Third and Fourth Divisions clubs commence today. The performance of one or two of the Fourth Division clubs against their Third Division rivals will be interesting to watch in view of the coming Dockerty Cup competition in four weeks' time.

I must ask all correspondents to curtail their letters and notes as much as possible. At present I have an unprecedented amount of "copy" on hand awaiting publication. I do not like to keep each voluntary subscriber waiting week after week to see his "brain child" in print.

The ground situation is exercising the minds of a number of club officials. With the now huge crowds at some games it is obviously absurd that these clubs should have to play on open grounds. It matters not what nationality the supporters are, without a fence and proper facilities brawls are bound to develop occasionally.

The ridiculous situation has arisen where second teams of another football code are occupying enclosed grounds in the suburbs and playing to empty seats, while clubs in soccer First and Second Divisions are attracting thousands. One Victorian association (Aussie Rules) First team drew a crowd of 900 on Saturday and this with a "split round." We took the trouble to count the crowd at the J.U.S.T. v. Hakoah game at Punt Road, Richmond, just before half-time. We counted 3127 and more people were still joining the crowd. This is an open ground without even a dressing-room for the players.

Clubs with such large followings would be well advised to try seriously to obtain enclosed grounds. As a beginning we suggest they approach local councils for the use of Association (Aussie Rules) grounds on alternate weeks next season.

THIRD TEST MATCH

From BOB LAWRIE (Queensland), Australia's Captain

The Englishmen opened confidently and invaded the Australian territory immediately. Their quick passing to one another was beautiful to watch and caught the Australians before they got properly settled down. The result was that Clarke netted two goals in the first five minutes. Without detracting from Bignall's display at centre-half (a position almost foreign to him), I doubt if those goals would have been possible against "stopper" centre-halves like Tom Jack or other class players experienced in the third-back game.



"Bunny" Nunn
(Q'land)

Within 15 minutes the third goal was scored by Hagan with a magnificent drive. The only goal scored by Australia was headed into the net by Robertson (outside-left) from a beautiful corner kick coming from Hodge (outside-right). The Australian team was now playing more confidently but some great ground passes to Nunn (centre-forward) proved futile, as Bamford and Lock were like policemen, ready to pounce on any ball that "Bunny" tried to get. Nunn seemed to suffer an inferiority complex, due to being careful of his injured legs. He can do much better than he did last Saturday. The fourth English goal came from Langton (outside-left) whose dazzling ball control and evasive tactics were delightful to watch. Lord ran out of his goal in an endeavor to get the ball, but fell short of it and "Bobby" spooned a beauty into the empty goal. The then score, England 4, Australia 1, remained so until half-time.

In the second half the Australians combined better, and played as a team. Despite the talented, clever play of the Englishmen I would say that the forcefulness of Australia made one feel that "Jack was as good as his master." The hard ground was not to the liking of the Englishmen, who I think played better football against Queensland. Although not conducive to pretty football the Australians' high-skying of the ball oft-times had them rattled. It may be questionable, but I think that the Australian defence was the best that the formidable Englishmen have met. With a few alterations in their forward line, more practice together, and, I might add, a few lessons learned on ball control and positional play, the Australians will still give a better account of themselves. At full-time the score had remained at 4-1 in England's favor.

The game was played in a good sportsmanlike manner, with only few minor infringements. The Englishmen are not faultless when it comes to little tricks to get the man off the ball or to upset an opponent. These, of course, are not serious or even offensive, but the slight pushing in the back is reminiscent of half a century ago. It is O.K. if the ref. is blind in one eye and can't see out of the other. Finally, of the approximate 25,000 spectators very few were disgruntled, and another game like this in Queensland will break all records in attendance.

[Note.—This excellent article, which was sent to "Soccer News" by Bob Lawrie at our request, was actually written by his father who was an eye-witness. Our thanks are due to both Messrs. Lawrie, senr. and junr.—EDITOR.]

CHARITY MATCH

At Olympic Park, Sunday, June 15 (Tomorrow)

BOX HILL v. JUVENTUS, at 2.45 p.m.

Curtain-Raiser

Vic.: UNDER 19 TRIAL. — PROBABLES v. POSSIBLES

Secretary's Notes



At a League Management Committee meeting on Thursday, July 5, 1951, the following resolution was made: "The Hakoah J.R.C. and Juventus Clubs be severely reprimanded and if any further serious incidents occur in the future the clubs concerned shall be immediately expelled from the Association. The Hakoah J.R.C. and Juventus Clubs are also required to provide police protection at their respective Second Division and Cup Tie home matches for the remainder of season 1951."

Mr. Viktor Kwiatkowski has resigned as secretary of Polonia and the new secretary is Mr. Boleslaw Bytomski, 155 Fitzroy Street, St. Kilda (Phone LA 3622), to whom all correspondence should be sent.

S. BEATON,
Secretary V.A.S.F.A.

WORLD CUP COMPETITION

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South Yarra Ground — Fawkner Park — Sunday, July 22, 1951 — 2.45 p.m.

POLAND v. HUNGARY

Park Rangers Ground — Middle Park — Sunday, July 29, 1951 — 2.45 p.m.

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WORLD CUP TRIAL

Scotland v. Caledonian-Fifers United, Park Rangers' ground on Sunday, July 15. Kick-off 3 p.m.

All players are requested to be at the dressing-rooms at 2.30 p.m.

Scotland team will be: Martin (Park Rangers), Denver (Footscray), Fletcher (Footscray), McCall (Sunshine City), Jack (Brighton), Lawrie (Footscray), Clark (Park Rangers), Forrest (Fifers), Sharpe (Moreland), Hunter (Sunshine United), Ramsay (Sunshine United). Reserves include: Rough (Moorabbin), Drain (Sunshine United), McIntire (Brighton), Stott (South Melbourne "B").

NOTICE

BOX HILL v. JUVEUTUS

Tomorrow — SUNDAY, JULY 15, 2.45 p.m. — Tomorrow

Both teams are among the leaders of their respective Divisions and should give patrons a fine exhibition of football. The cause is a worthy one, proceeds being in aid of Box Hill injured players, especially its captain and coach, who met with serious injury early in the season. It has kept him from his work for many weeks. We ask, what better way could you spend a Sunday afternoon watching your favorite sport and at the same time helping those who really need it. Under 19 interstate trial at 1.30 will be a curtain raiser.

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Wally Tunn

When the full history of Victorian Soccer comes to be written, one of the names that will occur most frequently in its pages will be that of Wally Tunn. A member of the Prahran City club for just on forty years, he has been its secretary for practically the whole of that period, and a player of no mean ability for three-quarters of it.

Wally Tunn first played soccer at school in England, where he also excelled at cricket and athletics. Later, employed in the Great Western Railways in London, he joined the London Railways team and played full-back in Wednesday games. This was not enough for Wally, so on Saturdays he turned out as goalie for Hendon Town. Incidentally, he was captain of the London Railways team from 1907 to 1911.

At that time he was sent to Melbourne to do a special job with the Victorian Railways for three years—and stayed for keeps. With other railwaymen he joined the Williamstown Soccer Club for a season—a season in which it was undefeated to the final and lost the Dockerty Cup to St. Kilda by one goal.

In the next season Wally transferred to Prahran and it was not long after that he became secretary—a position that he still holds. During the first World War, Wally and a few others kept the club alive with scratch games, mainly against service teams.

In 1919 the club was reformed as the Windsor Soccer Club and the colors became black and white stripes instead of the pale blue used earlier.

After a few years the name was changed back to Prahran and colors became purple with gold collars and cuffs. In Wally Tunn's first years with Prahran, the club played on a ground at Middle Park but later moved to Fawkner Park, South Yarra. Next move was to the present site of Como Park and the club has played there continuously ever since with a short break in the 1930's when the present fine ground was being laid out. One of Wally's greatest regrets, however, is that the club has had no opportunity of securing a ground of its own which could be enclosed.

"They don't appreciate soccer properly until they have to pay to watch it," he told me.

Wally turned out for the last time in 1941, but his retirement from the team in no way damped his enthusiasm for soccer and it is very largely due to his untiring efforts that Prahran Soccer Club has survived two world wars and is today the oldest club in Victoria by many years.

And there is no mistaking the pride in the eyes of Mrs. Tunn as she produces the small black book of news cuttings reporting Hendon Town matches, and Williamstown victories, with the name of Tunn in every few lines—and the photos. of young Wally Tunn with his fine black mustache.

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GIPPSLAND GLEANINGS

LATROBE VALLEY SOCCER ASSOC.

By HARRY BAYLEY

The Yallourn-Morwell area is already well known as the home of black coal and electricity, but there seems every prospect of it soon becoming the leading soccer area in Victoria. The newly-formed Latrobe Valley Association is just one of many developments in soccer in this locality.

Formed early in June, the Association now comprises teams from Yallourn, Morwell, Heyfield, Maryvale and Traralgon, and a Warragul team has applied for admission. It is hoped that there will be eight or ten teams enrolled by next season.

President of the Association is Mr. Norman Minor, a soccer identity of many years' standing in the district, and the secretary is Mr. Ray Hugo, of Morwell.

Formation of this new Association should do much to further the claims of the round-ball code in Gippsland and provide the means of active participation for many more of the soccer fans among the ever-growing population of this district.

MORWELL

The Latrobe Soccer League match between Morwell and Yallourn saw Morwell in the first ten minutes attacking and forcing two corners. Barron broke through but lifted his parting shot over the bar. From a breakaway Yallourn scored. Morwell equalised through McWilliams shooting home from 12 yards and another try by McWilliams scraped the post. Church, strong in defence, put in a great solo run from his own goal area but wildly shot over the bar. Payne hit the bar with a penalty and McWilliams netted the rebound for Morwell's second. McWilliams headed through a cross from Munro to complete his hat-trick. In a scramble in Yallourn goal-mouth McWilliams added the fourth and Church Morwell's fifth after a penalty award. Half-time, Morwell 5; Yallourn 1.

Shortly after resumption McWilliams got the sixth. Another penalty to Morwell and again it was missed. McWilliams got a second hat-trick by cleverly lifting the ball over the advancing goal-keeper. Yallourn scored its second goal near the finish. Final scores: Morwell 7, Yallourn 2.—WM. DOUGLAS, Sec.

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HOME and AWAY

By REX BENSON

NO RABBITS (BY REQUEST)

Steve Czauderna, Polonia and Victoria goalie, received a shock last week when Vic. Kwiatkowski, Polonia secretary, informed him that "Soccer News" was unable to buy him his promised koala, and had bought him a rabbit instead. The look of pleasure and surprise on Steve's face when he opened the parcel presented to him by Messrs. Rose and Dixon, of the "Rag," and found his promised koala was a treat to all hands.

SOCCER IN THE UNITED STATES

Glasgow Celtic took the Scottish Cup with them on their tour of North America, as they were able to do in 1931. One game is at Detroit, as part of the 250th anniversary celebrations of that city.

"HUMPHREY BOGART" MAY LEAVE CHARLTON

Not the bad man of the screen, but Uytendabaardt, Sam Bartram's deputy in the Charlton goal, given this name by tongue-twisted Charlton fans. He may follow Neilson, the full-back, back to South Africa for domestic reasons.

REFEREE MISSES OUT

The referee at this year's F.A. Cup Trial did not claim the ball as is customary. It was autographed by the players and sold to help the "Affray" disaster fund.

SHOCKS IN SYDNEY

Rumor has it that certain northern authorities are not too happy about forthright statements of a certain Victorian official over transport for players, and intend to bring the matter up at the next Australian Association's meeting. Our suggestion is that they think twice before they say anything. Victoria can speak for itself and we have the delegate who can do it for us.

RUSH TO SEE RUSSIANS

Biggest London mid-week soccer crowd was at Stamford Bridge in 1945, when over 80,000 saw Chelsea draw, 3-3, with the Moscow Dynamos. Some invaded local houses to look out of back windows.

GOAL AVERAGE AGAIN

Sheffield Wednesday chirped last season when promoted by a minute fraction of a goal. In similar fashion they skidded back to the Second Division this year.

JUNIOR STARS

Standard of the Under 19 football in Victoria this year would seem to be considerably higher than for some years. South Australia, with many of last year's players promoted to senior ranks, will find it hard to repeat the solid win of a year ago.

AMATEURS RE-SIGN

Several top-notch amateurs are staying with Queen's Park when expected to have signed for professional clubs. The reason? Hope of selection in next year's Olympic Games at Helsinki.

BUT NOT THIS TIME

Australia won two Tests out of three when the last English tour took place in 1937. The visitors were all amateurs.

"UNAFFILIATED HUNGARIA"

Our Editor last week received a shock when notes arrived from a club he had never heard of. Checking with Secretary Beaton, our Ed. discovered he had not heard of this club either. My suggestion is that Hungaria apply for affiliation to the V.A.S.F.A. if only to save our Ed. further flutters.



Steve Czauderna
(Polonia)





Letters To The Editor

Readers are invited to send along queries, suggestions, etc., to the Editor. All will be given appropriate consideration.

Sir,—I travelled with my club to Melbourne last Saturday expecting to see a very keen, hard game, and this is what I saw. The game developed into a complete farce, and this was caused by a most incompetent individual in charge of the game. The way boots were swung about on the field was most alarming, and it is a wonder that no serious accident happened. Players arguing with the referee and crowding around him for sometimes five minutes made the game laughable. If soccer is to be boosted in this country, it has got to be a spectacle worth watching. It has to be controlled by a man who must let the players know there is only one boss on the field, i.e., the Referee. If I seem to be too harsh in this letter then I am sorry, but my statement can be borne out by others.—Yours, etc., R. BARCLAY, Chairman, International Harvester S.C.

Sir,—Being an unbiased spectator at the Yallourn-Prahran match last Saturday week, perhaps my opinion may be of interest. Firstly, let me congratulate Prahran on the brand of football it turned on. After taking the lead, its standard of play I've never seen equalled by a Victorian club in my 30 years in this State.

As you probably know, Yallourn has three brothers by the name of Rowe playing this season. These boys are robust but scrupulously fair. They are adepts at the sliding tackle which is legitimate. On this Saturday they, particularly the right-half and right-back, were penalised almost every time they tackled or came into contact with an opponent. This unsettled the Yallourn team to such an extent that in the latter stages of the game the team were completely demoralised. I am afraid that a similar interpretation of their type of play will mean the loss of those three players to Australian Rules football, and maybe a big loss in attendance at soccer in Yallourn, which, by the way, has been increasing every match this year.—Yours, etc., J. McQUEEN.

[A "Soccer News" correspondent who saw this match comments: "I would not agree that the players mentioned were 'always scrupulously fair,' as I am certain that deliberate tripping occurred several times—considerably more times than they were penalised for it. Yallourn certainly 'went to pieces' in the latter stages—but only because Prahran, as Mr. McQueen recognises, played superior football; certainly not because of excessive penalisation."]

LEST WE FORGET

Sir,—Life has an ending as well as a beginning. Curtains must be lowered at the end of the performance and those who have given their best must take their bow.

In the loss of my old cobbler, Tom Williams, there was a man whom to know was a pleasure and privilege. His interest in the game for many years had been one of hard work, with always fighting for progress of the game and efficient and honest management. It must have been a pleasure for him, as it was to

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many more old timers, to see the crowds at the games against the English eleven, and to realise that after all, perhaps his toil for the game in Victoria was not in vain. —Yours, etc., JOCK PARKER.

Sir,—In reference to an article in "Soccer News" (June 23) by Bill Bowman, in which he states, "The schools are the only place to make the game advance. Nothing else can do it and those of us who have tried to get it in the schools know the prospects are nil."

While agreeing with his first statement, I do not think enough has been attempted regarding the second. As a new teacher, I have introduced soccer into my school, having sounded the position with the inspector of my district. His reply was typical of the Education Department's attitude: "By all means; you may introduce any game that calls for team work and provides a healthy sport."

Through the good graces of the school committee we were presented with a new ball. I have about twenty lads, keen and eager to take up the game, and every evening after school we practise. My boys are anxious to play another school team, but I have told them that they are far from good enough to take the field just yet. What surprised me most was the boys' own attitude towards the game. They love it. Every one of them is a "Rules" player and when the soccer ball is not available they practise their own code. If I had a couple of old soccer balls they would get a lot more practice and a lot more fun.

Summing up, I would say that the State schools are wide open for the soccer code if the V.A.S.F.A. can only expend a bit of time and give away any old balls. If one teacher in the school is interested, then you have a potential school team. The boys are interested.—Yours, etc., T. SAUNDERS.

[Something tells me you won't wait too long for that "old ball," Mr. Saunders.—Editor.]

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Letters To The Editor (Continued from Page 9)

Sir,—Allow me to reply to Frank McIver, one of the past giants of the game, who wants to know how much I know. I feel "Soccer News" should publicise the virtues of soccer. The daily Press make a good job of the other side. If the selection committee feels it cannot improve the methods of selecting representative teams, I accept those views. The subject is past history and too many brickbats can discourage enthusiastic workers, but what of the future? What about a general meeting of clubs' delegates to discuss vital matters without motives being misconstrued? Mr. McIver agrees with my views on compulsory schoolboy teams. So far, so good, but it will not work unless the association enforces it. Mr. McIver's goalpost objection can be passed over for the present. Grounds have always been a difficult problem for clubs. I will be unorthodox and risk my chin in regard to Reserve teams where grounds are scarce. I feel they are not a necessity. Sometimes I fancy they are a liability to most clubs, and from a spectator's point of view are not an attraction. Juniors under 19 or 20 should fill the bill, but with one proviso — a senior playing coach appointed, providing he is approved by the association (qualification—Past his prime) as adviser on the field. This is more important with the juniors than the ground position with regard to schoolboys. With any code players are developed from the schoolboy stage. This is where Victorian soccer can make a new start. There are plenty of schoolboys, but there must be an appeal for coaches and managers. This is the main problem. It may be of interest to readers that the junior association is working under difficulties because of lack of practical assistance. —Yours, etc., BILL BOWMAN.

NOTICE

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BOX HILL

Box Hill played Brighton at Surrey Park last Saturday to a large attendance, which indicates that local support is increasing. After the comfortable win against South Yarra, the Hillmen were confident against the Seasiders, although it was anticipated that there would be very little between the teams.

There were several new players since the sides met earlier in the season. Some regulars have found themselves playing in new positions on the field. McKenzie, of Brighton, who plays outside-left and represented Victoria and Australia recently in this position, was at centre-forward, and Neil, of Box Hill, usually at centre-forward, was at right-back.

The game was very even for the first 10 minutes. Brighton forwards showed better team work but their efforts were nullified. New players, Sid Goddard (left-half) and Jack Stubbs (centre-half), were prominent in defence. After several attacks on the left-wing, the ball was crossed to the right. Hutchinson at centre-forward beat his opponent and opened the score for the home side with a nice left-foot drive. Cullen, Lott, and Gamble were playing well for the visitors but they were weak on both wings. Several chances were lost owing to bad shooting for goal. Ten minutes before the interval Otto increased the Hillmen's lead with one of those goals you usually only read about. Gaining possession near the half-way line he beat several opponents, went through on his own, and landed a pile driver in the back of the net. (He must have been to see Sewell play.)

After half-time the Hillmen had more chances to score but poor finishing and bad position play by the forwards spoiled their play. Brighton forwards continued to play better football without results until McKenzie, now back at outside-left, was doubtfully fouled by a defender and a penalty was awarded. Strange to relate, Tom Jack took the kick and hit the upright, so now we know there is no such thing as a certainty even in penalty kicks. Shortly afterwards there was a scramble in front of the Box Hill goal and there appeared to be some doubt if the ball was over the goal-line, but a goal was awarded by the referee. There was no further score and Box Hill deserved to win on the day as its defence was the stronger. The State selectors missed something in not seeing Jack Stubbs at centre-half. Result: Box Hill 2, Brighton 1. Best players: Brighton, Cullen, Lott, Gamble; Box Hill, Stubbs, Goddard, Otto, Tester and Neil.—A. JARVIS.

FIFERS

Many heads were sadly shaken and "wise" men heard to mutter, "The Fivers are finished," last week at Royal Park. All teams have a bad patch at some time and we're having ours now, but let no one be deceived—the Fifers are **not** finished. Injuries have meant many positional changes and an unbalanced team needs a lot of luck to win matches.

The Reserve boys were very disappointed in not getting a game against George Cross and most came over to see the first team. We appeal to all members to attend at the home ground on Sundays to assist in the coaching of the juniors. John Beveridge is finding them a big handful and in any case has too many other duties on his mind to keep the juniors as a full-time job. Remember, these boys will be the Fifers of a few years time and now is the time to show them all the finer points of the game. Good hunting today, boys, and see if you can sink the Navy.

FRANKSTON

Saturday last at Geelong after a very keen struggle Frankston won, 2 goals to 1. Goal-scorers for Frankston were G. Keen and J. Herdman. Frankston still can't get a penalty taker. Another one was missed at Geelong, which means nine penalties and nine misses for the season.

To another grand dance on Wednesday, July 25, in the Mechanics Hall. Frankston, a welcome is extended to good friends from the League.

With regards to the proposed Social Club, a meeting will be held on Monday, July 30, in the C.W.A. hall in Thompson Street, Frankston, and any interested in joining are invited. The probable date for the proposed fancy-dress ball is September 21.—P. IMS.

HAKOAH J.R.C.

A combined Hakoah J.R.C. team will play Holland (Dutch World Cup Team) in a charity game in aid of an injured Hakoah player at Yarra Park, Sunday, July 15, at 3 p.m. Soccer-minded people are cordially invited to support this function.—K. DEFRIIS.

POLONIA

The competition in the Fourth Division for Polonia ended with defeating Maccabi, 7-1. The last goal came from a penalty kick by the goalkeeper, Stefan Czauderna. It is unusual in Victorian soccer for a goal to come from the goalkeeper.

Divisional Cup games are being looked forward to. The first is with Royal Caledonians at Kooyong Park on July 14.

All Polish players not members of Polonia S.C. club, who want to take part in the World Cup Competition with the Polish team, please contact Mr. Jakub Kowalik, 22 Burnett Street, St. Kilda (Phone LA 1117).

SANDRINGHAM CITY

On July 7 against Yallourn at Olive Street Reserve, Yallourn led 3-0 at half-time. The home side did better in the second term and scored the only goal. Result: Yallourn 3-1.

Reserves v. Yallourn at Yallourn was won by Yallourn, 4-1.

Juniors Under 19 v. Hakoah was won by Sandringham City, 9-0, and the Under 17 match with Sunshine City was a draw—1-1.

Tomorrow the club's three junior teams (Under 19, 17 and 14) will on neutral grounds play in the semi-finals of the Junior, Salt House and Blue Riband Cups.—SALOPIAN.

SOUTH MELBOURNE UNITED

The First XI maintained its recent form by a draw with Moreland, 2-2. It was a good game with South attacking against good defence work by Moreland. Maxie James scored a good goal to put South in front, but Moreland replied with two. Half-time score, 2-1. South opened the second half with strong attacks but could not score until 10 minutes from time when Roller put a fierce cross just under the bar. Oliferos and Lee played well on the left-wing and Guthrie and Jowsey played splendidly in defence.

The Reserves put on a good show with 2-1 and stopped Moreland having an undefeated season. A penalty was missed by Smiles. Play was fast and hectic, with South shining in defence. South got its first goal two minutes before half-time. Good cohesive work by Knight, Bailey and Moxham ended with Moxham sending a beautiful centre to Davies whose fine header gave Moreland's goalkeeper no chance. Second half play was faster. "Hand ball" by a South defender earned a penalty with which Moreland equalised scores. South rallied and shots by Cooper, Davies and Bailey skimmed the upright. In the last 15 minutes South broke through with Macleary to Gelby, and in turn to Davies, Keys, and to Cooper who got the winning goal. South appreciated the Moreland women's club hospitality.

Under 19 defeated unbeaten Brighton, 2-1. Kafkis and Denny scored goals. Simpson, James, Kafkis, Denny and Riddell played very well. A good display was given in goals by 15-year-old Peter Hathaway.

Under 17 was given the points by Box Hill being unable to field a team of eligible players.

Under 15 defeated Box Hill, 6-1. Goals were scored by Agar (2), Johnson, Clarke, Brauhe, Simpson.

Under 14 "A" defeated Moorabbin, 8-0.

Under 14 "B" defeated Box Hill, 5-0. This was a first win of the season and made South's programme for the day complete without a defeat.

SOUTH YARRA

South Yarra First Reserves fielded a pretty strong side and never at any time was Footscray dangerous. Yarra scored first from a penalty with which G. Sharp made no mistake. Yarra prevailed over the City and Hanna drew the defence, gave Lamb a great pass and the outside-right put the ball into the net. Moores at centre-forward put Yarra further ahead when he beat the Footscray goalie. Half-time scores, South Yarra 3, Footscray City 0.

Just after the resumption one of City's defence miss-kicked the ball into his own goal. Some of the passing was delightful. Moores notched his second goal when he followed up to beat both backs and put the ball into the corner of the net. Again Yarra had pressure full on. Lamb made a good run down the wing and gave Moores his chance to get his third goal. Final scores, South Yarra Reserves 6, Footscray City Reserves 0.

South Yarra Third Reserves won again, beating R.A.A.F. 8-2. Scorers for Yarra, Knott (3), Naylor (3), Murdoch (2).

The First team travelled to Footscray City and came back with the full number of points, beating the City by 3-0. Bolton (2) and Payne scored the goals for South Yarra.

The game South Yarra v. England, played at Fawkner Park, ended South Yarra scoring 2-1. Durnian and Bolton scored for Yarra. South Yarra Soccer Club wishes to thank Mr. Gatt, who refereed the game; Mr. R. White and Mr. J. Finney, who got England's side together and gave the game great publicity in "Soccer News" and elsewhere. Players and officials are thanked for making this benefit match a great success. To the two ladies who lent willing and capable hands, to make the benefit to J. Smith the best of the year, we say "Thanks, girls."—W. G. BENYON.

ULSTERVILLE

Slavia being suspended, a friendly game was arranged with the Union Jack Club at short notice. Ulsterville won, 6 to 4.

Ireland played Israel in the World Cup competition. Before play, with players lined up, Israel's captain presented Ireland's captain with a bouquet of flowers. The sporting gesture was appreciated. Ireland was victorious, 2-1.

Thanks to the 22 players, referee and linesmen for a fine sporting game, which delighted the spectators. — RED HAND.

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THE COACH SAYS

GOALKEEPERS! WHEN YOU HAVE SAVED A SHOT, GET RID OF THE BALL



To continue from last week, I tried to explain how to explain how to catch a ball; now, having caught it GET RID OF IT.. Some goalkeepers have a very bad habit of playing with the ball by bouncing it several times before clearing. This is unnecessary, but dangerous. One day you will lose the ball by doing this. Get rid of it quickly, not wildly, to a well placed team-mate. Once more the value, or I should say the necessity, of having two feet is essential. You must be able to clear with either foot and not always have to run round in order to get the ball to your good foot. This will soon land you in trouble. Ability to punch the ball away will often get you out of a tight corner. Always punch it out towards the wings, either by meeting it or deflecting it. Give it a good, firm punch. It is no good patting it. When meeting it, use both fists held together, and when deflecting it hit firmly upwards from underneath. This type of punching should be used when you feel it is unsafe to catch the ball. For tipping the ball over the bar goalkeepers often use this punch, but punch it hard, and where possible use both fists.

Practise gathering the fast-rolling or bumping ball, of which you will get many. There is always the risk here that the ball will fly up out of your hands and bounce away off your shins, knees, or even chest, giving the onrushing forward a gift goal. There are two methods of gathering these bumpers. One is to go down on one knee, body behind the ball with your arms stretched out in front of you, hands on ground, palms facing upwards about six inches apart; then when the ball arrives, let it run over your palms and up between your arms; but directly the ball has passed your wrists, bend your arms upwards from the elbows and hug the ball to your chest as it runs up the railway line you have made for it. The arms are like railway lines which suddenly fold up in the middle and become a spring-trap. The final touch of the trap is that the palms of the hands fold over the ball to hug it tightly to your chest in true Bartram fashion.

The other method is to field the ball like a cricketer. Stand behind the ball, one foot slightly behind the other, knees and body bent, and hands down about six inches from the ground. The palms should be facing the ball, and bent slightly backwards. When the ball arrives, it should fall into the grip of the hands which meet it slightly from above and the sides.

Diving for the ball is a practice I would not recommend unless the occasion arises when it is impossible to get the ball any other way. This would only occur if you had to throw yourself sideways across the goal. If it is a hard shot which you intend to turn round the post, push outwards as well as sideways, otherwise the force of the shot may knock your hands back and allow the ball to enter the net. Like all other hints, practice makes perfect.

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UNDER 19 YEARS

The curtain-raiser to the Juventus-Box Hill game tomorrow at Olympic Park will be the Under 19 game at 1.30 o'clock. Selected players were named in last week's "Soccer News." The final selection will take place after this game. The chosen lads will play South Australia for the Cup in August. All patrons of soccer can help these lads by attending. If Referee M. Hadfield can turn up for this game his services will be greatly appreciated.

The selected Under 19 team will meet Moreland Reserve team (undefeated in Second Division) at Campbell Reserve, Moreland, on Sunday, July 22, at 2.45 p.m. This game has been selected as a runner-up to other games on hand.—J. McCARTHY.

UNDER 14 YEARS TRIALS

The selected team to play at Heyfield is: Goal, McEwen (Brighton); backs, Hartley (Coburg), Bowman (Northcote); half-backs, Roberts (Brighton), McIver (Preston), Bradshaw (South Melbourne); forwards, Rennie (Box Hill), Costello (Box Hill), Finley (Footscray), McKenzie (Moorabbin), Cousins (Northcote); reserves, McCartney, Traynor, Storer.

The Senior body will name a date to be fixed for the Gippsland game. As a Senior team is also going, transport can be arranged. In the meantime games will be arranged for Sundays for the Under 17 to meet the Under 19. They are to prepare them for the main game. Watch "Soccer News" for dates.—J. McCARTHY.

UNDER 17 YEARS

Under 14 Trials, 14/7/51.—The following boys are required to be opposite Olympic Park at 10 a.m.:—Goldsworthy (Sunshine City), Evans (Coburg), Whitty (Park Rangers), Adams (Coburg), Edwards (Sunshine City), Molton (South Melbourne), Wallace (South Yarra), Sykes (Park Rangers), Birrell (Sandringham), Hitchens (Sunshine United), Seedy (South Yarra), Holden (Preston), Farhay (Brighton), Bailish (Sunshine United), Livingston (Preston), Reddy (Sunshine City), Dodds (South Melbourne), Armstrong (Sunshine United), Sargent (Sandringham), Tindell (Brighton), Bolton (Box Hill), Cott (Box Hill).

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LEAGUE TABLES AS AT JULY 7, 1951

	P	W	L	D	F	A	P		P	W	L	D	F	A	P
First Division								Third Division							
Sunshine United	14	9	3	2	43	22	20	Inter. Harvester	14	11	2	1	62	15	23
Prahran	14	8	3	3	49	29	19	Coburg	14	7	3	4	30	18	18
Brighton	14	7	3	4	44	18	18	Moorabbin City	14	8	5	1	35	33	17
Yallourn	14	7	1	6	33	25	18	Royal Caledonians	14	6	3	5	35	34	17
Box Hill	14	8	4	2	37	28	18	Williamstown	14	7	7	0	31	24	14
South Yarra	14	6	5	3	35	27	15	White Eagles	14	5	8	1	37	25	11
Footscray City	14	4	7	3	22	42	11	Olympic	14	4	9	1	25	43	9
Park Rangers	14	3	7	4	27	28	10	Woodlands	14	1	12	1	9	72	3
Sandringham City	14	3	8	3	24	42	9	Third Division League Table completed.							
Sunshine City	14	0	14	0	14	67	0	International Harvester and Coburg will be promoted to Second Division Season 1952.							
Second Division								Fourth Division							
J.U.S.T.	14	13	1	0	63	14	23	Polonia	14	13	0	1	70	5	27
Juventus	13	8	1	4	48	15	20	Ulsterville	14	11	2	1	43	14	23
Hakoah J.R.C.	14	8	4	2	41	27	18	Slavia	14	8	6	0	41	23	16
Moreland	13	7	3	3	24	21	17	Frankston	14	7	6	1	45	33	15
South Melbourne	13	6	6	1	37	35	13	Maccabi	13	7	5	1	38	31	15
F.N.D.	13	5	6	2	32	38	12	Geelong United	13	2	10	1	21	47	5
Preston	14	3	7	4	25	49	10	Balwyn United	14	2	11	1	17	56	5
George Cross	13	3	9	1	24	44	7	Heidelberg	14	2	12	0	10	77	4
Fifers	13	2	9	2	20	40	6	Polonia and Ulsterville will be promoted to Third Division, Season 1952.							
University	14	2	11	1	20	49	5								

RESERVE LEAGUE TABLES

First Division								Third Division							
South Yarra	14	7	1	6	34	15	20	Park Rangers	14	12	0	2	45	18	26
Park Rangers	14	9	3	2	45	22	26	Polonia	14	11	3	0	78	19	22
Brighton	14	9	3	2	41	30	20	South Yarra	13	9	2	2	63	32	20
Yallourn	14	8	4	2	43	23	18	R.A.A.F.	13	8	3	2	56	40	18
Prahran	14	8	5	1	45	31	17	Coburg	14	7	6	1	46	40	15
Sunshine United	14	7	6	1	38	27	15	Williamstown	12	6	3	3	40	37	15
Box Hill	14	5	9	0	32	40	10	Box Hill	12	6	5	1	48	39	13
Footscray City	14	3	8	3	19	39	9	Brighton	13	5	7	1	24	38	11
Sandringham City	14	2	10	2	12	46	6	Moorabbin City	14	2	12	0	21	61	4
Sunshine City	14	2	11	1	18	54	5	Macedonians	11	2	9	0	9	36	4
Second Division								Royal Caledonians							
Moreland	14	11	2	1	36	15	23	Olympic	13	1	12	0	3	50	2
Juventus	12	10	2	0	46	8	20	Walk-overs awarded and included in Third Division Reserve table, above.							
Hakoah J.R.C.	13	9	2	2	35	10	20	June 23.—Coburg, w/o against Polonia;							
J.U.S.T.	14	6	8	0	32	24	12	Brighton, w/o against Olympic.							
F.N.D.	12	5	5	2	29	35	12	June 30.—Park Rangers, w/o against							
Preston	14	4	7	3	22	20	11	Olympic.							
George Cross	12	5	7	0	24	26	10	July 7.—Polonia, w/o against Royal							
University	14	4	8	2	23	45	10	Caledonians; Williamstown, w/o against							
Fifers	13	3	8	2	22	51	8	Olympic.							
South Melbourne	14	3	11	0	21	56	6								

Will the secretary of George Cross please notify the assistant secretary of the Association (J. A. Olsen) the result of their Reserve game against Fifers on July 7.

JUNIOR LEAGUE TABLES AS AT JULY 7, 1951

Under 19 Division								Under 14 Division							
Brighton	8	7	1	0	22	4	14	Preston	8	4	4	0	14	12	8
Sunshine United	7	6	1	0	20	5	12	Park Rangers	9	3	4	2	11	17	8
Preston	9	6	3	0	27	14	12	Box Hill	9	2	6	1	13	38	5
South Melb. United	7	4	1	2	19	8	10	Ringwood Boys	8	2	6	0	14	23	4
Juventus	8	4	3	1	16	13	9	Moreland	6	1	5	0	5	47	2
Sandringham City	6	2	3	1	12	14	5	South Yarra	8	0	8	0	3	31	0
Yallourn	6	2	4	0	13	12	4	Under 17 "A" Section							
Footscray City	6	2	4	0	8	15	4	Brighton	9	7	0	2	29	5	16
Moorabbin City	6	1	4	1	6	14	3	South Yarra	9	5	3	1	18	14	11
Northcote	5	1	4	0	10	15	2	Sandringham City	9	3	4	2	24	20	8
Hakoah J.R.C.	8	0	7	1	3	42	1	Army Apprentices "A"	6	3	2	1	14	10	7
Under 17 "B" Section								Sunshine City	8	2	4	2	6	22	6
Brighton	10	7	1	2	39	13	16	Park Rangers	8	2	5	1	11	14	5
Northcote	9	6	2	1	18	13	13	Sunshine United	9	2	6	1	5	22	5
South Melb. United	10	6	4	0	19	13	12	Under 15 Division							
Army Apprentices "B"	8	1	4	3	9	27	5	Sunshine United	8	7	1	0	34	7	14
Preston	7	1	4	2	6	16	4	Brighton "A"	10	6	2	2	42	9	14
Coburg	8	0	6	2	7	16	2	Brighton "B"	9	7	2	0	29	11	14
								South Melb. United	7	5	1	1	22	4	11
								Northcote	8	5	3	0	25	13	10

Clubs are advised that the Junior League tables are compiled from official results obtained from the official receiver of results (Mr. Wilshaw). Many results have not been 'phoned to Mr. Wilshaw, and therefore have not been included in the League tables. It is up to the club secretaries to see that the association is informed of all results as soon as games are completed. Phone numbers are—Central 6360, FA 8791 (extension 407 or 416), also WF 3915 before 1 p.m. For results of previous matches not included in League tables, club secretaries please write Mr. J. A. Olsen, 314 Inkerman Street, East St. Kilda, or 'phone LB 1444 Thursdays or Fridays, after 8 p.m.